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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner dated May 15, 2008, rejecting each of the pending claims.

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Respectfully submitted,

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